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Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
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By: Shinichi FUJII, Toshiyuki TANAKA and  
Masahito NIIKAWA  
Attorney Docket No.: 15162/04250

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to a  
DIGITAL CAMERA, Shinichi FUJII, Toshiyuki TANAKA and Masahito  
NIIKAWA, inventors:

- (1) Specification (36 pages, including 23 claims and  
an abstract);
- (2) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (6 pages);
- (3) Drawings (22 sheets);
- (4) Transmittal of Certified Copy of Priority Document with  
Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-003698 (1 cover  
sheet and 61 pages);
- (5) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages) and  
PTO Form-1449 (1 page, with one copy of each cited  
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- (6) Transmittal of PrintEFS Patent Bibliographic Data (1 page) and Print EFS DATA (2 pages); and
- (7) Assignment of the invention to Minolta Co., Ltd. (2 pages) with Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page, in duplicate).

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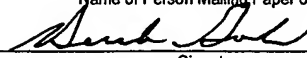
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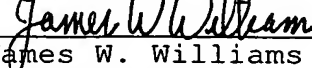
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**TRANSMITTAL OF PrintEFS PATENT APPLICATION**  
**BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA**

Submitted herewith is bibliographic data (2 pages) for the above-identified application, in the PrintEFS Version 1.0.1 program format.

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